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Senate Resolution 819

By: Senator Staton of the 18th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Stratford Academy boys tennis team on winning their
- 2 second consecutive Class AAA State Championship; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, for the second time in two years, the Stratford Academy boys tennis team
- 4 earned the top ranking in the state with their 3-0 semi-final victory over Southland and their
- 5 4-1 victory over Augusta Prep; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the Eagles consistently soared over their opponents, compiling a 13-0 regular
- 7 season record as a team and a record of 62-3 in individual matches; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the title earning team consisted of talented athletes Rohin Aggarwal, Aliy
- 9 Ahmed, Ryan Baker, Hayden Bashinski, Max Chandler, Blake Christianson, McLendon
- 10 Eberhardt, Stewart Eberhardt, Obi Ekeledo, Stuart Firth, Spencer Furlong, Benton Graves,
- 11 Nobel Harris, Bailey Hicks, Sims Holmes, Casey Jones, Stuart Kent, Skip Lazenby, Lee
- 12 Lineberger, John Lyons, Matthew Maier, Becker O'Shaughnessey, Matt Schwartz, Miles
- 13 Seagler, Spencer Simmons, and Thomas Watson; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Becker O'Shaughnessey earned the title of regional champion, state champion,
- and had an undefeated season; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Hayden Bashinski and Thomas Watson lost only one game throughout the
- season, won the state title, and finished as runner-ups in the region, while Casey Jones and
- 18 Sims Holmes had one-loss seasons, won the regional title, and were runner-ups at the state
- 19 tournament; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Ryan Baker, Hayden Bashinski, Casey Jones, Becker O'Shaughnessey, Spencer
- 21 Simmons, and Thomas Watson were named to the All Region team; and

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22 WHEREAS, the phenomenal performance of the team is a clear indication of the outstanding

- 23 athletic ability, the dedication and hard work, and the unity of purpose and spirit of each
- 24 member of the team; their superb offensive and defensive talents; and the astute direction of
- 25 Head Coach Jaime Kaplan and Assistant Coach Randy Stephens; and
- 26 WHEREAS, as this magnificent team earned its well-deserved reputation for excellence by
- 27 performing with courage and precision over months of training and competition, it is
- abundantly proper to call them champions.
- 29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 30 congratulate the Stratford Academy boys tennis team for winning the Class AAA State
- 31 Championship and extend their sincere best wishes for future success.
- 32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 33 to transmit copies of this resolution to Head Coach Jaime Kaplan.